GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
DEFENCE
LOK SABHA

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ENCROACHMENT ON DEFENCE LAND
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Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether several cases pertaining to encroachment on defence land are pending in various courts across the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the concrete measures being taken by the Government to prevent/remove the encroachment and reclaim the land expeditiously?

Answer

MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI A.K. ANTONY)

(a) & (b): Yes Madam, 924 number of court cases are pending in various courts across the country in respect of encroachment of defence land.

(c) Action for removal of encroachment is taken under the provisions of Public Premises (Eviction of Unauthorised Occupants) Act, 1971 as well as under the Cantonments Act, 2006. Detailed instructions emphasizing the need for ensuring vigilance, detection and prevention of new encroachments have been issued by the Ministry. The process of detection and removal of the encroachments is a continuing exercise.